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ESP – One State's Perspective

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ILLINOIS IS:

- Nation's largest nuclear generator
- IDNS is responsible for preventive reactor safety and emergency response
- Supportive of the Part 52 regulatory philosophy
- Home of one of the early site permit pilot licensees

IS THE REGULATORY STRUCTURE IN PLACE?

- Found issue difficult to follow
- Part 52 under revision
- Generic issues not settled
- SRP in draft and incomplete
- No endorsed guidance DOC's
- NRC website not much help

PROBLEM:

- Exelon ESP application in two months
- Only recently opened dialogue with state
- Regulations more efficient, effective & realistic?
- Increased public confidence?

CONCLUSIONS:

- Remain supportive of Part 52
- Not so confident of regulatory process concerning ESP
- Firmer regulatory base for Part 52 desirable